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H. C. Briggins

Breezelets

The two army deserters, who were given five years' terms by a Calgary police magistrate, the other day, are gliding in the fact that they beat the Military Service Act.

Probably after the novelty has worn off it won't seem quite so funny.

Booze has doubled in price in Canada since the prohibition of the import was announced.

Munitions come high whether to load the gun or the guzzler.

Slav armies in bad shape for a battle.

The Huns made sure of that before they moved their eastern army to the western front.

From an account of an Edmonton wedding it states "The bridegroom's present to the bride was a handsome diamond brooch, together with many other beautiful things in cut glass."

"Finns send an ultimatum to the Russian government," is the latest.

Finns—or should it read "the Huns" in disguise, in this ultimatum business?

Phillip Scheidemann, a German Socialist printer editor, in his paper, says to his government: "Bring peace with Russia or be hurled from office."

Ye fool printer-editor won't have to monkey much with that font of type before he is "hurled into the hell box!"

Trotsky is ordered back again on the peace job, either to "do" the Huns or the Huns "do" Bolsheviks.

It's safe betting on the one who will be "did," and Trotsky can trotty back home again.

The Bolsheviks has split on the question of peace, a majority being against the conclusion of peace on the German terms and in favor of a holy war.

"Holy smoke!" and big shell smoke are about the only things that will bring the Huns to time.

The cry for peace in Austria seems loud enough to be heard outside in spite of the attempts to keep it within soundproof walls.

CAUSE AND EFFECT

OR, HOW THE CHINOOK HIGH SCHOOL DEBATERS SCARED THE WITS OUT OF THE QUEBECKERS

Talk about cause and effect. Why, we have a local case in point that "knocks" the "spots off" anything so quickly effected, recorded in ancient or modern history. Here it is.

A momentous discussion took place in the I.O.O.F. hall, Chinook, on Thursday evening last, the debaters being high school pupils from the Chinook consolidated school, the subject of debate was: "Resolved, That it is to the best interests of Canada that Quebec should secede from Confederation."

The debaters handled the subject without gloves, and in some points it was not very complimentary to some Quebecers.

Now, by a strange coincidence, it so happened that at the same time the debate was going on in Chinook, the Quebec local legislature was discussing a secession motion brought before the house by some hot-headed slacker Quebecers who thought by that route they could dodge the Military Service Act. All of a sudden, while the Quebecers were at white-heat in their discussion they saw the "hand-writing" on the wall of the assembly hall—written there by wireless—telling of the momentous debate then going on in Chinook.

With scart countenances the mover and seconder of the fool resolution—fearing that their province would be cut off from the rest of the Dominion, and be doomed to have a lonely time all their lives, without any sister province being even a "sister" to them, to minister to their wants in their provincial loneliness and desolation—that they were on their stumps in a thrice—even that old butting goat, Bourassa, looked white in the gills, no doubt feeling that the Chinook debaters had put the "ass" in Bourassa. The debate was immediately stopped by the speaker of the house, and the mover and seconder of the fool resolution tumbled over each other to get the motion withdrawn from any further debate, and you bet the government was only too tickled to accede to their "gracious" request. A resolution was passed to the effect that Quebec was only bluffing, anyway—but only after the Chinook debaters had called the bluff.

The daily papers the next morning announced in scare headlines QUEBEC MOTION TO QUIT CANADA LAID TO REST "Laid to rest!" Yes, but its only us who know the secret of its sudden demise.

R. I. P. (Ripped in Pieces) by the Chinook high school debaters. No bouquets, please.

Thus ends the story of "A Tempest in a Teapot," or, how Chinook debates scared the wits out of the Quebec seceders." Nuff sed.

Coming!

"WHEN A MAN'S SINGLE"

On Wednesday evening next, will mark the first appearance here of any home talent on an extensive scale. The comedy, "When a Man's Single," will be staged at the I.O.O.F. hall, by the Excel Dramatic Club. This play is full of life at every turn, and the many comical remarks and instances keep the audience in laughter while the plot is being revealed.

The cast consists of eight characters—four ladies and four gents, which have been well picked for their especially adaptable parts.

The ladies' caste consists of an American beauty, a society leader, and her charming daughter, and a very comical Irish maid.

An old farmer and his neighbor, Pete, keep the audience in continual laughter every minute they are on the stage; while Paul, a young lawyer, who must marry an heiress, is many times foiled, and in the last act—oh, but you must see the play to find out how it ends.

Parde Quinn, three times winner of gold medals at Toronto University, will give the audience a real treat while the castes are making their changes between each of the three acts. This is undoubtedly the best play that has been staged here for some considerable time, and will, no doubt, live up to the fine reputation it made at its former appearances.

There will be a dance following the Clemens orchestra.

Advance sale tickets can be obtained at Hewitt's office.

The British will soon fix it so that a man can go from Jerusalem to Jericho without falling among thieves. Even honest Turks will not regret the change.

Chinook Breezes

Chinook's two rinks to Oyen last week failed to bring back the Beaver cup.

Found, a sheep-skin coat. The owner can have same by paying for this advt.

Three rinks from Chinook are in Calgary this week taking part in the Bonspiel there.

Mrs. (Rev.) Elliott returned home last week end, after spending a month with her mother and friends at Winnipeg.

We regret to learn that Mrs. Jos. Deman is under the weather. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

It is safe now when travelling on this line to take a grub stake and a bed along, for as like as not the train is apt to run in a snow bank and remain there till any old time.

Will those who have books out from the library in connection with the Young People's Society, kindly returned the same at once as the Dept. has called them in, to be replaced by others.

Miss Crow, late clerk with J. R. Miller, left for Calgary the first of the week. We understand that she is to be married in the near future, and thus make a nest for herself.

J. M. Davis, the old reliable auctioneer, wishes to inform his many friends that he is still on the job and doing business, and that there is no need to send outside for an auctioneer. Anyone thinking of putting on a sale will do well to drop him a card to Coliholme P.O., and get his special terms for hard times. Or word left at this office will catch him.

A very animated debate took place at the Chinook Literary on Thursday last, between pupils from the Chinook consolidated school, the subject being a real live red-hot question—"Resolved that it is to the best interests of Canada that Quebec should secede from Confederation." Affirmative—Miss Florence Rogers and A. St. Clair Nicholson; negative—Miss Annie Peyton and A. Dell. Both sides put up some pretty good arguments, and the judging was a difficult matter. Finally they gave the following decision: Affirmative made 35 p.c. on points and 40 p.c. on form; negative 50 p.c. on points and 30 p.c. on form, the judge remarking, however, that the affirmative had the hardest part of the argument. We expect to hear more of these clever young debaters.

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Cheerfulness Wins

Have you noticed how cheerful all the letters are that are sent home by our boys overseas.

What hardship there was in the life they are leading, what bitter trials and dangers we all know. But they had apparently no effect upon the good spirits of the soldiers. Their letters all breathe that air of cheerfulness that wins if there is any possibility of winning.

It is the kind of spirit that wins in civil life just as it wins in army life.

It probably isn't very easy for all of our soldier boys to get into a cheerful frame of mind. Most of them, in fact, may have been like the rest of us civilians inclined to grumble and complain very easy when things did not go just as we want them to go.

But the discipline of army life take the kinks out of the average man any disposition to grumble or growl over the ordinary discomforts of life.

They have so many real discomforts, so many actual hardships to go through and make the best of that the ordinary trials that worry a civilian seems unworthy of notice to them.

If the people at home would only cultivate that same spirit of cheerfulness—cheerfulness in providing the much needed supplies for our boys at the front—ford, Red Cross work, and the hundred and one things that will help to make the boys' life as comfortable and as pleasant as possible under the circumstances, it would help them a lot to bear up; also to know that the folks at home are not only "keeping the home fires burning," but that they are cheerfully doing "their bit" to win the war.

After repudiating the national debt the Bolsheviks should try to borrow again, just to see how the nations take to the idea.

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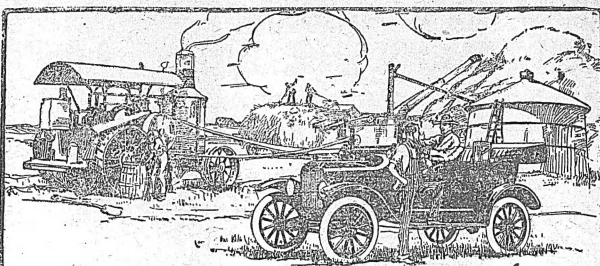
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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

CHINOOK LODGE, No. 40, meets on the First and Third Thursdays of every month in their Castle Hall, Arty's Block, Chinook.
Visiting members are cordially invited to a "tend."
E. R. Dell, C.C.
C. E. Neff, K.R. & S.



Chinook Lodge, No. 113, meets every Monday at 8:00 p. m. in Arms' hall, Chinook. Visiting members are cordially invited. R. N. Bray, N.G.
Finlay McKensie, R. S.



SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS

THE sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the District. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Land Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required, except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price \$3000 per acre.
Duties—Six months' residence in each of six years after entering homestead patent; also 90 acres extra cultivation. Pre-emption patent may be obtained as soon as homestead patent, on certain conditions. A settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3000 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 90 acres and erect a house worth \$5000.

The area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of rough, scrubby or stony land. Live stock may be substituted for cultivation under certain conditions.

W. W. COBY, C.M.G.
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior
N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.—64258

NOTICE TO Stallion Owners

Under the provisions of the New Stallion Act all stallions which stand or travel in the Province of Alberta hereafter must be inspected by Inspectors appointed by the Department of Agriculture. The schedule to be followed by said Inspectors in this district is as follows:

Morning	Date	Afternoon
Rockyford	Feb. 11	Wayne
Munson	" 12	Delia
Hanna	" 13	Stammore
Cereal	" 13	
Chinook	" 14	Oyen
Youngstown	" 15	Alsask, Sask.

The Inspectors will examine at the following points, dates for which will be set later:

Winnipeg
Big Stone
Hawksdale
Acadia Valley

NOTE—Morning inspections men from 9 to 12 and afternoon from 2:00 to 5:00, except where otherwise specified.

It is essential that owners have their stallions at their respective stations, as indicated in the above schedule, at the time set, as Inspectors cannot remain longer than the time specified in schedule. It would therefore be advisable that owners bring in their stallions the day before, especially where inspection has to be made in the mornings.

In the case of pure-breds, owners are requested to produce registration papers.

NOTE—Any owner who does not have his stallion inspected at the time the Inspectors are in his vicinity, and who wishes to stand or travel his stallion during the 1918 season, will be required to have his horse examined by the said Inspectors at his own expense.

(Sgd.) H. A. CRAIG,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture

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TOOTH, THE TAILOR, CHINOOK

THE NEW HUDSON BAY RAILWAY MAY SOLVE TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM

autumn and only a small portion of

For some years comparisons have been made as to the relative value for hog feeding of frozen wheat versus oats and barley. In each instance it has required less grain to make one hundred pounds of pork with

The Treeless Plains are an Abomination to Nature

Permeability Limit

Of Fish Output

ins.—Life.

That Explains It

One of Pershing's boys was found

Well?
From the drop the stock took after
bought I must have been let in on
the roof.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Everything Favorable for Making Campaign a Success

Western Canada has a considerable quantity of cheap hog food, such as screenings, which has not hitherto been generally utilized. An agreement has just been completed with a number of terminal elevators, by which the Dominion department of agriculture, which will result in several thousands of tons of screenings being used for feeding hogs. A bureau of feed purchase and distribution has been created by the government to look after the distribution of feed, and it will work in co-operation with the provincial departments of agriculture.

Encouraging Settlers

boats and came towards them close to the water's surface. The plane had been riddled by English shrapnel. An explosion occurred after the aircraft had dipped into the water.

and had become enmeshed in the

A shop poster campaign started in Cleveland. "Make this plant a safer place to work by voting dry," was one appeal hung on the walls of

more than 200 factories, with permission of their proprietors.

New Recruit—No, not yet, sir. I've only been down here a week.

When the coolies who left Chin

time.

King George the Father

"Yis, mum. kape movin' Agc-Herald. But not unless ye mum."—Birmingham

THESE ARE THE FIRST

sealed envelopes that they must carry to Southampton, from all points of the kingdom. 350 passenger trains of thirty cars each and do weeks—I again quote the official record—England's armies shot away fifty great trainloads of ammunition every seven days.—From "Gerard's

The Appreciation of Lord French
for the Bravery of the Second

magnificently. General Fitz-Clarence ordered the Second Worcesters to

fill the gap., Their charge across the open ground under Major Hanks

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Carmen's Messenger

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Featherstone Changes His Plans

"It was getting dark and a keen wind blew across the ragged pines beside the track, when Jack Foster walked up and down the station at Gardner's Crossing in North Ontario. Winter was moving southwards fast across the wilderness that rolled back to Hudson's Bay, silencing the howling rivers and calming the stormy lakes, but the frost had scarcely touched the sheltered valley yet and the roar of a rapid tumbled among the trees. The sky had the crystal clearness that is often seen in northern Canada, but a long trail of smoke stretched above the town, and the fumes of soft coal mingled with the aromatic smell of pines. Gardner's Crossing stood, an outpost of advancing industry, on the edge of the lonely woods.

The blue reflections of big arched lanterns quivered between the wet flakes on the river, a line of bright spots, stretching back along the banks, marked new avenues of wooding houses, and across the bridge, the tops of tall buildings cut against the glow that shimmered about the town. At one end rose and fell a block of the Hulton factory, which lost some of its utilitarian ugliness at night. Its harsh, rectangular outline faded into the background. If forced and the rows of glimmering windows gave it a curious transparent look. It seemed to overflow with radiance and filled the air with rumbling sound.

In a large measure Gardner's Crossing owed its rapid development to the enterprise of the Hulton Manufacturing company. Hulton was ready to make anything out of lumber for which his salesmen found a demand; but his firm grip on the flourishing business had recently relaxed, and people wondered anxiously what would happen if he did not recover from the blow that had struck him down. Hulton, however, his only son, and assistant treasurer to the company, had been found in the factory one morning with a bullet-hole in his head, and it was believed that he had shot himself. His father gave his evidence at the inquiry with stern self-control, but a head in the bed afterwards and had not left it yet. So far as the townsfolk knew, this was the first time he had shown any weakness of body or mind.

The train was late, but Foster enjoyed the pipe he lighted. It was ten years since he had left Montreal, a raw lad without friends or money, and learned what hard work was in a lumber camp. Since then he had prospered, and his strenuous life he had led for the first few years had not left much mark on him. Now he thought he had earned a holiday, and all arrangements for his visit to England were made. Featherstone, his partner, was going with him. Their sawmill, which was run by water power, had closed for the winter, when building material was not wanted, and the development of a mineral claim they owned would be stopped by the frost. They had planned to put in a steam engine at the mill, but the Hulton company had delayed a contract that would have kept the saws running until the river thawed.

Foster, however, did not regret this. Except on Sundays, he had seldom had an hour's leisure for the last few years. Gardner's Crossing, which was raw and new, had few amusements to offer its inhabitants; he was young, and now he could relax his efforts, felt that he was getting stale with monotonous toil. But he was a little anxious about Featherstone, who had gone to see a doctor in Toronto.

A whistle rang through the roar of the rapid and a fan-shaped beam of light swung around a bend in the track. Then the locomotive bell began to toll, and Foster walked past the cars as they rolled into the station. He found Featherstone putting on a fur coat at a vestibule door, and gave him a keen glance as he came down the steps. He thought his comrade looked graver than usual.

"Well," he said, "how did you get on?"

"I'll tell you later. Let's get home, but stop at Cameron's drug store as you pass."

Foster took his bag and put it in a small American car. He drove slowly across the bridge and up the main street of the town, because there was some rain and light wag- ons stood in front of the stores. Then as he turned towards the sidewalk, ready to pull up, he saw a man stop and fix his eyes on the car. The fellow did not live at the Crossing, but visited it now and then, and Foster had met him once when he called at the sawmill.

"Drive on," said Featherstone, who touched his arm.

Although he was somewhat surprised, Foster did as he was told, and when they had passed a few blocks Featherstone resumed: "I can send down the prescription tomorrow. That was Daly on the sidewalk and I didn't want to meet him."

A minute later Foster stopped to avoid a horse that was kicking and plunging outside a livery stable while a crowd encouraged its driver with ironical shouts. Looking round, he thought he saw Daly following them, but a man ran to the horse's head and Foster seized the opportunity of getting past.

W. N. U. 1191

"What did the doctor tell you?" he asked.

"He was rather disappointing," Featherstone replied, and turned up the deep collar of his coat.

Foster, who saw that his comrade did not want to talk, imagined that he had got something of a shock. When they left the town, however, the feeling of the care made questions difficult and he was forced to mind his steering while the glare of the headlights flickered across deep holes and ruts. A few of the dirt roads leading to the new Canadian cities are good, but the one they followed, though roughly graded, was worse than usual and broke down into a wagon trail when it ran into thick brush. For a time, the car hunched and labored like a ship as it up and down hills and through soft patches, and Foster durst not lift his eyes until a cluster of lights twinkled among the trees. Then with a sigh of relief he ran into the yard of a silent sawmill and they were at home.

Supper was waiting, and although Foster opened a letter he found upon the table, neither of the men said anything of importance during the meal. When it was over, Featherstone sat down in a big chair by the stove, for the nights were getting cold. He was about thirty years of age, strongly built, and dressed in city clothes, but his face was rather plain. For part of the summer he and Foster had camped upon their mineral claim in the bush and worked hard to prove the vein. June, as often happens in the north, was a wet month and though Featherstone was used to hardship, he sickened with the consequences of exposure, and digging in heavy rain and sleeping in wet clothes. As he was nothing of a valetudinarian he made light of the attack, but did not get better as soon as he expected on his return and went to see the Toronto doctor, when Foster learned that the time of business was fully occupied and he did not sit in with the ordinary town-bred loafer. The end of it all was simply that in two years this man was back on his own farm, having enough experience in the enjoyment of the loafer's life to last him for all time. Work never seemed so good to him and he learned at considerable money cost that the happiness comes when one is engaged in daily tasks for which he has been fitted by past experience.

The letter lighted his pipe and looked about the room. It was warm and well lighted, and the furniture, bought, piece by piece, and replaced under articles they had made at the mill. One or two handsome skins hung upon the uncovered floor, and the walls were made of varnished cedar boards. A gun rack occupied a corner, and two books on a shelf indicated that the owner was not only a sportsman, but also a reader. There were some literary tastes, though there were works on mining and forestry. Above the fireplace, the head of a moose shot on a prospecting journey to the North, hung behind the smaller heads of bear and caribou.

(To Be Continued.)

The Why of the Hall Mark

Origin of the Stamp on Silver as a Mark of Genuine-ness

The origin of the hall mark on silver is a tedious and technical subject, you say. On the contrary, a most absorbing and appealing one. It is the story of a goldsmith, an architect, talk about it and be convinced.

"The first hall mark was used in Paris in the year 1300. It was employed for both gold and silver, principally the former. Some goldsmiths had their own marks, and as there was no difference in labor or perfection of detail it was obvious that much inferior metal was being used. So a guild was founded to protect the buyer in the matter of the purity of metal. The guild specified that the goldsmiths should use a certain standard of metal to be maintained.

"About 1327 a stir took place in England and a slightly different reason. Privatizing of the coast was frequent, the result being that silver vessels were brought back and made either into coins or other vessels. As the product was of lower grade than the English standard, a goldsmith's guild was established there also, with the rather awe-inspiring title of 'Origin and Mystery of the fellowship of Goldsmiths.' The guild specified that standard metal must contain 925 parts of silver and seventy-five parts of copper. Its members had authority to travel through the provinces of the United Kingdom assaying silver vessels, and if any specimen was not up to standard it was confiscated or a fine of double its value was imposed on the maker.

"When a piece was made it was the custom to send it to the guild-hall. There it was assayed and if found to be of the proper proportion it was stamped with the English hall mark, or as it was then called, the 'guildhall mark,' commonly referred to as 'the king's touch.'

"A leopard's head was the first mark employed in England and the maker was also privileged to place his own stamp upon it, which generally consisted of the first two letters of his surname. As a few people were able to read, most of the tradesmen had signs which they placed on their productions, hence the modern trade mark. In 1495 the guildhall added a letter marking the year that a piece was made, but as the full alphabet was not used the date is very difficult to determine. Later the leopard's head was changed to a lion's passant, erased with a figure of a British monarch.

"The collector of old silver must look out for the method of 'glorifying' used by unscrupulous dealers who cut the hall marks out of old spoons or forks and fit them into a big piece to mislead the unwary. It is extraordinary that so much good old English silver has survived, considering the vicissitudes through which it has passed. The 'Warrant of the House,' for instance, much plate was confiscated and melted into coins for carrying on the strife."

Dehydrated Potatoes

So far as can be learned, the very large crops of potatoes in Great Britain will make it unnecessary for many orders for evaporated or dehydrated potatoes to be placed in Canada this year for export to Europe, says the Canadian Food Bulletin.

Retiring From the Farm

Fullest Contentment Does Not Always Result From Change of Environment

The prospect of retiring from the farm is no doubt being cherished by many men under the present conditions of labor scarcity. A few are actually discouraged and ready to turn their back on the old home to look for employment or business openings in town. To them even the frame of mind of the Iowa Homestead has a few words of advice. Retirement from the farm, says the writer, seldom brings the joyous relief that is so fondly anticipated. Some time ago we called attention to a case where a farmer sold out his live stock and implements, rented his farm and moved to a nearby town, planning with great enthusiasm to spend the rest of his days happily and serenely. The farm, in this case, was rented for a two-year period and was not in good shape when he took possession. He was asked for repairs were asked for there was no response. If they were to be made he must make them himself. One trouble followed another and all his life was filled with fretfulness and annoyance. No one in town cared especially for his society because he found that the time of business was fully occupied and he did not sit in with the ordinary town-bred loafer. The end of it all was simply that in two years this man was back on his own farm, having enough experience in the enjoyment of the loafer's life to last him for all time. Work never seemed so good to him and he learned at considerable money cost that the happiness comes when one is engaged in daily tasks for which he has been fitted by past experience.

Restocking Jasper Lakes
The lakes in Jasper Park, the fisheries of which became greatly depleted at the time the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway was put through, are being restocked with fish by the department of the naval service. More than 30,000 small fish have been transferred from the Banff hatchery and distributed in the lakes, in splendor. The fish distributed consist of 32,000 cut-throat fingerlings, 900 salmon trout fingerlings, and 350 Atlantic salmon fingerlings.

The Kitchens Must Win
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Making Rural Life More Attractive

Analysis of the Problem of Keeping Farmers on the Land

To keep the farmers on the land when they get there has become a greater problem than that of first attracting them to the land. They are said to be leaving the land in thousands at the present time, and we are told that millions of acres of land, which had been occupied at one time, are now deserted, and that the present system of land settlement is productive of much poverty and degradation. Whether these statements are exaggerated or not, the fact that they are made by responsible people indicates a state of affairs that demands a remedy. Why do men now hesitate to go on the land in the first place, and find it unattractive to stay in the second place? What are the consequences to rural life which is caused by their absence? The three outstanding reasons are:

First, the numerous ills caused by the holding of large areas of the best and most accessible land by speculators and the want of proper plans for the economic use and development of the land.

Second, the compelling social attractions and the educational facilities of the cities and towns, and, in third, the lack of ready means of adequate return for the labor of the farmer, because of want of co-operation, rural credit and of facilities for distribution of his products.

To secure any real improvement in rural life and conditions we must try to bring tracts of land held for speculative purposes into use, prepare development schemes of the land in advance of settlement, try to take part, at least, of the social and educational facilities of the cities into the rural areas, and, simultaneously, provide the co-operative financial and distributive conveniences that are necessary to give the farmer a larger share of the profits of production.—From Rural Planning and Development.

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The Decreasing Moose

Seldom Find Enough of Them to Make Hunting Worth While

The moose once ranged over the whole of our northeastern woods. Now, Minnesota is the only state in the United States where there are enough moose to be killed, and there are not very many there. In the state of Maine, which has had perhaps the most thorough and best enforced game laws with regard to moose of any state, a closed season was put in effect in 1915, for the simple reason that there are too many hunters. Along the southern frontier of Canada where the country is brought under development, and where the moose once ranged in thousands, you will now seldom find enough moose make it worth while to hunt. Because there are too many hunters, they have been thoroughly protected.

They are scarce even in many outlying districts as, for instance, the Peace River valley, until recently regarded as remote but now thrown open to settlement. In 1912, the Beaver Indians were half starved, because they could not get enough meat to keep them alive, and one band of Indians travelled 150 miles up the Laird river to hunt moose. Yet a sportsman's magazine printed a communication entitled, "Game in the Peace River Country Unlimited," which drew a glowing picture of the moose, deer and antelope roaming the woods in countless numbers.

Where did the writer ever see an antelope roaming the woods? It shows that people do not realize the peril confronting our animals.—F. K. Vreeland in "Fish, Birds and Game," published by the Commission of Conservation.

A Case of Mistaken Identity

Soldiers have to do their own thinking, and the thoughtful war office supplies them with outfits for that purpose.

On the occasion of a recent kit inspection, says the Journal of the American Medical Association, the recruits stood lined up ready for the officer, and the officer had his hand temper all complete. He marched up and down the line, grimly eyeing each man's bundle of needles and soft soap, and then he singled out Private MacTottle as the man who was to receive his attentions.

"Tooth brush?" he roared.

"Yes, sir."

"Razor?"

"Yes, sir."

"Hold-all?"

"Yes, sir."

"Hm! You're all right, apparently," growled the officer. Then he barked, "Housewife?"

"Oh, very well, thank you," said the recruit amazedly, "how's yours?"

"He's entered the aviation corps," presumed the officer. "Detroit Free Press."

An engagement ring on the finger is worth two in the pawnshop.

Anomalies of Equine World

Fossilike Ancestors of the Horse Estimated 3,000,000 Years Ago

There are few mammals—indeed, we may doubt if there be any—the knowledge of which is more fully encompassed than the horse and its numerous congeners, R. W. Shufeldt writes in the Scientific American. They are the only mammals now in existence which present the curious anomaly of having each of the four limbs terminating in a single, immensely developed toe, with a very large nail, upon which its owner treads.

Far back of geologic times, the earliest ancestors of horses were no bigger than foxes, and possessed several functional toes on each foot, three on each hind foot and four on each fore foot. These occur in the lowest Eocene, and doubtless were preceded by still smaller forms (Basal Eocene 33,000,000 years ago). So it must have been at least 2,000,000 years ago—and perhaps more—since the Eocene horses flourished in this country, and of these we have fossil remains. Darwin says that the "history of the modern horse is lost in antiquity."

Prevalsky's horse and the Celtic horse probably now stand among the most remarkable of existing species. Zebras are only curios from the fact that they present such unusual markings, while none of the asses are peculiar.

At one time E. H. Bostock, of the Glasgow hippodrome, owned some most anomalous or, indeed, abnormal equines, the like of which—and of these examples in particular—it has not been my fortune to have seen. Of these White Wings is said to be the most beautiful horse alive. It is not known to me whether this magnificent creature is still in existence. He had a rival in Linus, another horse that could boast of a double mane thirteen feet in length on either side and a tail of seventeen feet.


Mr. Bostock likewise owned a hairless mare with a skin resembling India rubber (Wild Nell); also extraordinary dromedaries, one a tiny dwarf and another a ponderous giant, the latter being outstripped, however, by a creature having a height of twenty-one hands.

A midge named Dot was the smallest horse, being only a few hands high; while Columbus was an immense horse of gigantic proportions.

We find many albinos among horses and occasionally one exhibiting peculiar markings.


An investigation is being conducted under the direction of the food controller into the poultry situation. A study is being made of such questions as the cost of producing egg and poultry and of the cost of feeding.

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There will be mass in the hotel hall, Chinook, on Saturday, Feb. 2nd, at 10 a.m. Rev. Father Bowlen.

A brave nine—all told—were present at the church service here on Sunday evening, two or three drove in from the country.

Mrs. D. V. Boyer, who has been with her daughter at Burdette, Sask., for the past few months, returned home on Sunday morning.

On Sunday and the succeeding few days of this week the weather has been rather severe, the mercury dipping down to 40 and 50 degrees below freezing point. The blizzard on Sunday put all train service out of skilter on this line between Saskatoon and Calgary.

While ye inhabitants of the village were enjoying their sleep on Wednesday night and early this morning, two very important events were taking place at the parsonage, where four young people were contracting to go through life in two teams. No. 1 being Albert Currie and Miss Marjorie Johnston, both of Chinook. A few hours later came No. 2, when Wm. Pollock and Miss Elva Isabell Hodge, of Chilmart presented themselves at the parsonage for a set of double harness. In both cases the Rev. Mr. Elliott hitched the two couples up in harness that holds fast. Hearty congratulations, you young teams. Your yoke will be just what you make it yourselves.

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Strayed

From my premises, 8 miles west from railway crossing and 1 mile east of Chinook, 1 BAY-MARE COLT, with some white in face, 2 hind white feet, coming 2 years old. \$5.00 reward will be given for information leading to the recovery of the above colt.
W. VENNARD, Chinook

APPLICATION for Lease of Road Allowance or Surveyed Highway
Notice is hereby given that R. S. Gravett, of Gold Spring, Alta, has made application to the Minister of Public Works, Edmonton, for a lease of the following road allowance or surveyed highway, viz., lying west of township 22, range 25, west of 4th meridian.

Any protest against the granting of the above mentioned lease must be forwarded to the Minister of Public Works, Edmonton, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

R. S. GRAVETT, Applicant
Jan. 14th, 1918

Notice to Creditors and Claimants

In the Estate of PETE JOHNSON, late of Big Spring, Alberta, Farmer deceased.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the said PETE JOHNSON, who died on the 5th February, 1916, are required to file with the undersigned Administrator of his estate, by the

28th February, 1918, a full statement, duly verified, of their claims and of any security held by them, and after that date the Administrator will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed or brought to its knowledge.

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